

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending in this application. Claims 1 and 3 have been amended. Claim 2 has been canceled.

Claim 1 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Feagin in view of Lustig and further in view of Kirby.

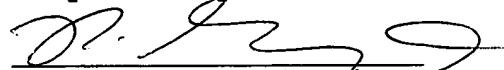
The Examiner has indicated however, that claims 2-9 were rejected as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Accordingly, claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations from claim 2. Thus, claim 2 has been canceled, and claim 3 has been amended to now depend from claim 1. Claims 1, 3-9 should be allowable. Claim 10 was previously allowed.

Please enter the allowance of claims 1, 3-10.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims are respectfully solicited. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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